

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

SUMMARY OF THE NEWS OF THE WHOLE WORLD.

DISORDER IN BRAIN

AUTOPSY ON VICTIM OF CHARLES CITY MOB.

Coroner's Jury is Helpless—Anonymous Lynching Was Done by "Persons Unknown"—Judge Orders Investigation by Grand Jury.

The verdict of the coroner's jury in the case of James Cullen, the wealthy contractor who was lynched at Charles City, Ia., Wednesday night for the murder of his wife and stepson, is to the effect that he came to his death by hanging at the hands of parties unknown to the jury.

The autopsy revealed that Cullen's brain showed degeneration and that there were traces of adhesions. This, it is declared, would have saved him from the gallows and caused him to have been sent to the asylum.

Judge Kelly called the grand jury in at noon and gave it special instructions. He said:

"As you have doubtless heard, during last night an act was committed in this city of homes that will forever be a stain upon Charles City and Floyd county. During the times when this court was in session and while the grand jury was actually investigating a charge against a man who was in the custody of the sheriff, locked in the jail of this county, and who was legally entitled to the full protection of the laws of Iowa, a lawless mob forcibly broke into jail and in cold blood dragged their helpless victim to a public bridge in the center of the town in a public street and murdered him."

"The crime of which James Cullen was accused and which was doubtless committed by him, pales into insignificance when compared with the deliberate act of an organized mob. "You now have nothing to do with the guilt or innocence of Cullen. His case is in the hands of God. But he was murdered, gentlemen, and every person who actively participated in the act or who aided and abetted it is equally guilty of murder, and upon you rests the duty of taking the first steps towards bringing his murderers to justice. I enjoin upon you the performance of this duty without fear or favor in accordance with your oaths. You can retire, and I direct you to make a full report in this matter."

HANLEY FOR 2-CENT FARE.

Governor of Indiana Urges Passage of Law by State Legislature.

In his message to the Indiana legislature Gov. J. Frank Haney referred to the fact that during the two years of his administration three state officers have been ousted for misappropriation of funds; that \$189,460 had been recovered from them and that suits for \$126,594 had been instituted against the former state officers for alleged misappropriation of money belonging to the state.

FRISCO FACES FUEL FAMINE.

Serious Situation in the California City.

Unless the coal situation is relieved San Francisco will suffer seriously by next week. There are at present in the bunkers and in the hands of retail dealers a little more than a seven days' supply of fuel. After that the problem will become decidedly serious. There are no colliers on the way to port, and a genuine coal famine threatens the city. The scarcity of coal is being felt in all the cities across the bay.

Reduces Embury's Sentence.

The sentence of William C. Embury, the embezzling assistant paying teller of the First National bank, at Kansas City, Mo., was reduced by Judge Woodford from four years to two years and nine months.

Duce Out of Danger.

Eleonora Duce, the actress who has been ill at Genoa with pneumonia, is now declared by her physicians to be out of danger.

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

Thursday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Butcher steer, \$5.15 @ 5.50. Top hogs, \$3.30.

Extension for Homesteaders.

The president has approved the bill having for its purpose the extension of the time within which homestead men may establish their residence on certain lands heretofore a part of the Crow Indian reservation, Montana.

More Car Shortage Complaints.

Complaints concerning the car shortage and lack of fuel in the west and northwest are still being received at the interstate commerce commission's office.

ACCUSE NEGROES OF PLOT.

Alleged Conspiracy to Kill All White Officers.

Belief of the army officers at Fort Reno, located at El Reno, Okla., that a conspiracy to murder every white officer at Fort Reno, beginning with Capt. Edgar A. Macklin, against whom nearly every negro at the post entertains a personal grudge as a result of the affair at Brownsville, Tex., and the discharge of the negro soldiers that followed, and then proceeding down the list of officers, became known Tuesday as a result of the preliminary hearing in the case of Edward L. Knowles, corporal of Company A, Twenty-fifth infantry, who was held on a charge of assault with intent to kill Capt. Macklin, of Company C, Twenty-fifth infantry, on the night of Dec. 21.

Knowles was bound over to await the action of the Canadian county grand jury at the opening term of court. All of the officers now go heavily armed and protected throughout the night.

Every effort has been made by the officers at the post to keep the alleged conspiracy a secret, but it is now being learned that an investigation is now being conducted at several army posts and important places throughout the country and within a short time several arrests of the members of the troop recently discharged in disgrace are expected to follow.

Information was received at El Reno Tuesday that the arrest of a negro soldier has been made on La Junta, Colo. Suspicion rests upon negro soldiers at Fort Nichols, Neb., and at three other points. The arrests of these men had been postponed until the hearing in the case of Corporal Knowles was concluded at Fort Reno, when it was hoped that some further information would be secured tending to incriminate other persons in this alleged conspiracy.

CRIME FULL OF MYSTERY.

Former New York Doctor Killed in Portland.

The murder in Portland, Ore., Monday night of Dr. Philip Edwards Johnson, a physician recently arrived from New York, is one of the most mysterious tragedies that ever has occurred in the northwest.

Johnson came to Portland with a newly wedded wife two months ago to establish a home and practice his profession. The couple bought a site for a beautiful home in a fashionable section. Mrs. Johnson before her marriage last fall was Mrs. Scarborough. She is the daughter of former Gov. Hoadley, of Ohio. Johnson is the son of Episcopal Archdeacon Johnson, of Staten Island, and a graduate of Columbia university.

Shortly after dining with his wife Monday night Johnson announced his intention of visiting Dr. Pantou, a member of the examining board by which he was to be examined for admission to practice in the state, against the protestation of his wife, against the highwayman. On his way Johnson called upon his cousin, W. C. Alvord, assistant cashier in a local bank. What happened at the Alvord house has not been learned. Alvord refusing to make any statement for publication. A short time after leaving Alvord's house a street car conductor found Johnson's mangled body lying in Jefferson street. Johnson's pockets had been turned inside out and his watch removed. There was evidence of a struggle.

BURNS BODY OF CHILD.

A Chicago Laborer Had No Money for Funeral.

Charles Peterson, of Chicago, a laborer, was arraigned Tuesday and fined \$25 by Municipal Judge Himes for having cremated the corpse of his child in the foundry where he was employed. The child died six days ago. Peterson was without sufficient funds to give it proper burial. He held the body in the house for five days, hoping to secure sufficient funds for a funeral. The occupants of adjoining buildings knew of the child's death and complained to the police that no steps had been taken to inter the body, and when the officers visited Peterson Monday he informed them that despatching of being able to obtain enough money to bury the child in decent fashion he carried the child to the foundry where he was employed and burned it in the furnace.

Flood Loss in Southwest Indiana.

In the extreme southwestern corner of Indiana, where the Ohio and Wabash rivers join, the lowlands are covered with water and much damage has been reported. Many acres of growing wheat have been destroyed. Much live stock has been lost.

Mail Delivery Restored.

Free mail delivery Tuesday was restored in those portions of New Orleans which were cut off Jan. 1 by order of the postmaster general on account of improper sidewalk facilities.

To Transfer Cassie Chadwick.

Orders have been received at the Ohio penitentiary from the government for the transfer of Cassie Chadwick to the government prison at Moundsville, W. Va.

For 2-Cent Fare in Oklahoma.

The committee on railroads and public service corporations in Oklahoma reported to the constitutional convention Tuesday recommending a 2-cent railway fare and the enacting of a fellow servant law.

Wreck in Georgia.

A passenger train on the Georgia railroad was wrecked Tuesday morning near Barnett, Ga. Several cars were turned over, but only one person was injured.

CULLEN IS LYNCHED.

Body of Wife and Boy is Hung from Bridge.

Fighting for his life like a tiger at bay, James Cullen, of Charles City, Ia., the wealthy contractor who Tuesday morning murdered his wife and 15-year-old stepson, was dragged from his cell in the Floyd county jail at 11 o'clock Wednesday night by a mob of infuriated citizens and hanged to death. The lynchers fastened a noose about his neck and threw him off a bridge.

At midnight his lifeless body was still swaying to and fro at the end of the rope, his feet dangling within a few feet of the ice-covered river. No one had yet appeared to claim the body.

Public indignation over Cullen's monstrous crime of the previous morning had grown more bitter with every hour all day. When evening came the people of the town assembled as if by common consent.

The leading men of the city, doctors, lawyers, merchants, mingled with workmen on a common footing and with a common aim—to avenge the merciless crime upon a woman and her son. Women and children, too, were there in large numbers. There were apparently no leaders of the mob; all were leaders.

At 9:30 o'clock Sheriff W. W. Schermerhorn appeared from the door of his quarters adjoining the jail and tried to address a crowd. He urged the citizens to be law abiding and commanded the crowd to disperse. No one moved. The sheriff read determination in the faces of the throng and knew his appeal was of no avail.

HELD TO THE GRAND JURY.

Coroner's Jury Involves Eight Men in the Terra Cotta Wreck.

The coroner's inquest at Washington, D. C., over the Terra Cotta wreck of Sunday night, Dec. 30, Wednesday night held for the action of the grand jury Harry H. Hildebrand, engineer of "dead" train No. 212; Frank F. Hoffmeyer, conductor of that train; P. F. Dent, night train dispatcher at Baltimore; William E. McCauley, division operator of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad; B. L. Vermillion, engineer of the local train No. 66, into which No. 212 crashed; George W. Nagle, conductor of train No. 66; J. W. Kelly, Jr., trainmaster of the Baltimore and Ohio, and William Dutrow, the telegraph operator at Silver Springs. All the men held except Dent, McCauley and Kelly were in the building where the inquest was held and were arrested.

SHOT DOWN BY AN ASSASSIN.

"Hangman Pavlov" is Killed in St. Petersburg.

Lieut. Gen. Vladimir Pavlov, of St. Petersburg, military procurator, or advocate general, generally known since the days of the late parliament as "Hangman Pavlov," from an epithet constantly applied to him by the radical deputies, was shot and killed Wednesday morning while walking in the garden of the military court building.

HAVELOCK WORKMAN INJURED.

While "Red" Cornell, a man 30 years of age, was at a press drill in the Burlington shops at Havelock, the coat sleeve on his left arm was caught in the drill and before he could pull loose wound him up in such a shape that his left arm was broken, the right leg broken in six places and the left leg in two places. Three ribs broken, his ear nearly severed from his head and a dozen or so scalp and face wounds.

Grand Island to Celebrate Birthday.

A semi-centennial celebration will be held in Grand Island next summer, in observance of the anniversary of the settlement of that section of the state. Eight of the pioneers, who came by wagon from Davenport, Ia., in 1857, located there on July 3, staked out the settlement on the 4th, the celebration of the nation's birthday, and went actively to work on July 5 of that year, still remain.

Landlord Shot by His Tenant.

News was received at the sheriff's office at Broken Bow that Henry Groves, aged 46, a prominent and wealthy farmer living near Middle, was shot and fatally wounded by Jay Smith, aged 28. The shooting was the result of a quarrel over rented land.

Rebuilding Mail Cars.

In compliance with the request of the Postoffice department for the reconstruction of mail cars to conform to new specifications, the Burlington is busily engaged in rebuilding twenty mail cars of the 60-foot class in the Plattsmouth shops.

Escaped Horse Thief Captured.

George Gebhardt, the young horse thief who was released by friends from the Stanton county jail, was captured in a hay loft south of Norfolk, where he planned to hide during the day. He was discovered in the barn by a young son of John Dover, a Madison county farmer.

Fremont Fifty Years Old.

The original plat of the city of Fremont was filed in the county clerk's office fifty years ago Jan. 6, the county not being organized at the time the plat was made four months before.

Gets Year in Penitentiary.

Fred Dubois, who was recently caught in attempting to rob W. C. Frahm's store in Blue Hill and placed in the county jail, was taken before Judge Adams at Minden last week and pleading guilty to the charge and was sentenced to a year in the state penitentiary.

High Water in Illinois.

High water has caused thousands of dollars' damage in and around Duquoin, Ill. Railroad tracks are inundated for many miles. Homes are completely submerged.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN CONDENSED FORM.

Tenant Kills His Landlord—S. E. Harkness Shot by Eugene Marisfield, Whom He Sought to Eject from Dwelling.

S. E. Harkness, of Alma, was murdered by Eugene Marisfield. The crime was committed just at the edge of the city.

From the evidence, as given at the coroner's inquest, it appears that Marisfield is living in a house owned by Harkness and Harkness had demanded of Marisfield that he quit the premises, Marisfield being behind in paying rent. Marisfield refused to leave, whereupon a quarrel ensued. Marisfield claims that Harkness raised a chair to strike him, when he grabbed a rifle and shot and killed Harkness. Instantly, the bullet passing through Harkness' heart.

Much excitement prevailed in Alma over the shooting and for a time there was talk of violence, but the sober and better judgment of the people prevailed and the prisoner will be given a fair trial. The sheriff took the prisoner to Red Cloud for safe keeping.

PLATTE RIVER OVERFLOWS.

Lower Part of Fremont is Flooded and Families Abandon Homes.

The Platte overflow had reached its height in Fremont Thursday night. It flowed in streams resembling small rivers through Jensen and South streets and backed up to the Burlington road track from Main street west to the city limits. Cellars have been flooded through South Fremont, and in a few instances the water has reached up over the floors of dwellings. Families who had taken up their carpets and piled up their furniture on chairs sought refuge in their neighbors. There may be some loss of live stock and poultry below the railroad tracks and the bridge.

NORFOLK PACKING PLANT.

Company Has Been Formed to Operate in Sugar Factory.

A company has been formed for the purpose of operating a packing plant in the old sugar factory building at Norfolk. The capital stock will be \$300,000, of which \$125,000 has been subscribed. E. H. Lunkert, president of a Tilden bank, has been active in organizing the new company, to which other business men of northern Nebraska will belong.

All that remains before the machinery shall be ordered is for the sugar factory to be turned over, in accordance with the policy announced by the industrial company, which owns it.

Blizzard Raged from 4:30 p. m. New Year's Day to 5:30 a. m. The next day, with snow falling from 10 to 2 degrees below zero and no coal in Bayard, the people burning out-buildings and extra fence posts. Citizens boarded a westbound freight train Wednesday and unloaded ten tons of company coal. Conductors telegraphed to headquarters and the car was set out and turned over to the agent to distribute. There was no violence.

Law to Be Enforced.

The inheritance tax law is hereafter to be strictly enforced in Dodge county. The appraisers appointed on the estates of H. C. Mahanna and V. B. Stoddard have submitted their reports. Dodge county will receive from them about \$300 for the permanent road fund and Nance and Howard counties will receive in the aggregate about \$3,000.

Shot by Unknown Person.

Harry Lauritsen, a son of James Lauritsen, of Fremont was shot in the hip while on the road northwest of the city. No person was seen in the vicinity and the shot was evidently fired by some careless hunter. Fortunately a farmer came along and the boy was taken home. The bullet was of 22 caliber and made an ugly flesh wound.

New Road Surveyed.

The Union Pacific engineers are completing their survey of the new line west and south of Blue Springs. The proposed new line is to run west of the river most of the way between Beatrice and Marysville, instead of east of the river as at present. It is reported that active work on the line will begin early in the spring.

Attacked by Bear.

Solomon Pfeiffer, a farmer living east of Arlington, had his shoulder dislocated by a vicious male hog. Mr. Pfeiffer was trying to drive the animal when he became enraged and rushed upon its owner. Mr. Pfeiffer is 76 years old and the accident will undoubtedly lay him up for some time.

Wanted for Burglary in Kansas.

John Lacey, aged 18, who lives with his parents at Norfolk, has been arrested at Norfolk on a charge of burglary perpetrated by a Kansas sheriff. The Kansas officer will take young Lacey back for trial.

School Principal Resigns.

Prof. Malot, the principal of the schools at Atsaworth, tendered his resignation Wednesday.

Mrs. Lillie Pardoned.

After a contest for freedom lasting five years, Mrs. Lona Margaret Lillie was Thursday pardoned by Gov. Mickey, a few minutes before his term of office expired. She was sentenced to life imprisonment for the alleged murder of Harvey Lillie, her husband.

Pierce Lighting Plant Restored.

After a little over two weeks of total darkness the electric lights were turned on at Pierce. The darkness was caused by the breaking of the big 5-inch shaft of the electric light engine.

DEAD BODY RESIDE THE TRACK.

Indications Are that Dick White Was Run Down by Train.

The body of a man, which was identified as that of Dick White, of Amherst, was found just west of the bridge over the railroad, near Kearney, on the north side of the Pacific railroad by a little girl. After the dirt had been removed from the dead man's face he was identified as Dick White, a man who had come down from Amherst on business.

From the appearance at the place where the body was found it seemed as if White had been struck by a west-bound train while walking along the track on the east side of the trestle and hurried or carried across the bridge and a short distance beyond by the train. His hat, a soft one of brownish color, was found on the east side of the trestle and traces of places where the blood had spattered and the body had touched the ground were found. The most serious injury appeared to be in the back of his head; his right arm was broken and almost torn off. He had also received other injuries. Dick White had been at Amherst for some time, but had no relatives there. All his people live in South Dakota.

BANK FOR THE RED MEN.

Winnebagoes So Prosperous They Need a Depository.

Because the Winnebago Indians have become such industrious farmers that they have money to save C. K. Heese, of Council Bluffs, is about to establish the first bank in Winnebago, the new town on the Burlington road in the eastern part of the reservation.

The bank, which is to be a state institution, will do business almost exclusively with the Indians, who make up by far the largest per cent of the population in that section. It is said they are now in a more prosperous condition than ever before. The bank will be established in the old trader's building, which was moved over to Winnebago from the agency headquarters.

COLLIDE IN SNOW STORM.

Two Passenger Trains in Wreck on the Union Pacific.

The Union Pacific overland limited and the Los Angeles limited train, both bound for Omaha, had a collision Wednesday night at Brule station, twenty miles west of North Platte. There was a blinding snow storm and high wind at the time. Twenty-five or thirty passengers were in the observation car.

E. W. Hastings, an actor of New York, was instantly killed. Mall Clerk Gilbert Worley, of Omaha, sustained a fractured skull, and a passenger named Jennings was scalded.

ELEES FROM PEST HOUSE.

Patient Alleged that Patients Are Neglected at Alliance.

Escaping from the pest house at Alliance, W. H. Rodes came to Lincoln in a box car, gained admission to the private office of Gov. Sheldon and told a story of privation and want, alleging that his wife and children were confined in the pest house without food or care.

He said other smallpox patients were similarly treated. Gov. Sheldon sent Drs. Brash and Sward, of the state board of health, to investigate.

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FACED BY BIG ISSUES.

STATE LEGISLATURES ALL HAVE LONG CALENDARS.

Railroad, Insurance, Primary Election and Other Things—Loves Faces Take Lead While Car Shortage and Pass Abuses Come Next.

A mighty dia from legislative forces is about to begin to echo throughout the West as the general assemblies convene and lawmakers take up the sledges to hammer out reform enactments. Few States are without live issues of a varied and sweeping character, and the new 1907 promises to be prolific in new laws more or less drastic.

Railroad reforms stand foremost among the questions that confront the legislators. The movement in favor of more rigid restriction is general in its scope, and the anvils will ring with the beating out of statutes that range from anti-pass measures to acts establishing a 2-cent fare, the latter forming the chief issue in at least eight Western States.

Corporations in general are in for treatment more or less severe, agitation being on for new banking laws that will protect depositors more adequately, for new insurance laws that will bring fire and life companies more directly under the supervision of State commissions, and for new taxing schemes that will provide for greater revenues from public utility concerns.

Changes in the political system also are up for action in several communities, four of which are pledged to follow the lead of Illinois and Wisconsin in the enactment of a law that will give direct primaries, and that will give the electors a chance to scarp party bosses and stifle ring rule by taking into their own hands the matter of picking party candidates.

The liquor traffic, too, will be an important part of the year's reforms. In five States local option laws are to be presented. Their fate is problematical, but the fact that they will form part of the legislative grist has led to a lining up of the liquor elements and the temperance forces in preparation for fierce battles.

The question of taxation will be another bone of contention in at least eight States, and measures are being prepared that provide for changes in the revenue systems. In Illinois a fight will be made to make the railroads and other public service corporations pay all State taxes instead of imposing them on holders of general property, while in Wisconsin there will be an attempt to pass an act for a graduated income tax.

The great live issue of general interest throughout the general assemblies of the West, however, is that dealing with the railroad companies. There are five phases to the question, the most drastic and important relating to lower passenger fares. In eight States 2-cent fares will be fought for. Accompanying the reduction in fares is a general movement to abolish the pass system, and seven States are preparing to toll the knell of the annuals with which the railroads have kept on the good side of lawmakers and politicians. The passing of the pass, it is expected, will be attended by bitter contests.

The live issues which will engage the attention of lawmakers of the various States may be summarized as follows: Car Shortage—North Dakota, Colorado, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Oregon, Nebraska, Washington, Idaho, Wyoming, Minnesota. Reciprocal demurrage the main hope.

Railroad Regulation—North Dakota, Colorado, Texas, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, Indiana, South Dakota, Oregon, Nebraska, Idaho, Kansas, Washington, Utah, Minnesota, Illinois. Create new railroad commissions or strengthen existing ones.

Two-Cent Fares—North Dakota, Texas, Missouri, Michigan, Indiana, South Dakota, Nebraska, Minnesota. Fights will be bitter.

Anti-Pass Measures—North Dakota, Missouri, Illinois, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Minnesota. Several assemblies virtually pledged.

Direct Primary Elections—North Dakota, Colorado, South Dakota, Nebraska, Washington, Kansas. Four States pledged. Governors in others favor. Bosses will oppose strongly.

Liquor Traffic—Colorado, Missouri, Indiana, Washington, Illinois. Local option or more drastic State regulation. Taxation—Wisconsin, Texas, Nebraska, Oregon, Washington, Minnesota, Kansas, Illinois. Aimed chiefly against public service corporations. Entire revision of several codes.

Income Tax—Wisconsin to consider bill for graduated tax. Other States expected to have hot fights.

State and Private Banks—Illinois and Kansas particularly propose drastic new laws to protect depositors. Other States to fall in line.

Miscellaneous—California and Nevada to entertain bills against prize fights; Wisconsin to sterilize feeble-minded and insane and establish pension system for old age; Texas to wipe out cotton bick-st-shops; Illinois to rehabilitate charitable institutions and to pass new charter for Chicago.

Insurance—North Dakota, Texas, Indiana, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, California, Minnesota, Illinois, Wisconsin. Aylanche of bills expected, some radical and sweeping.

This and That.

Capt. Edward Dunaway, who recently died at Longford, Tasmania, in his 104th year, had been a pensioner as captain for seventy-nine years.

Es-Secretary of State John W. Foster will continue his private diplomatic career by serving as one of China's delegates to The Hague peace conference next year.